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Application of:	K. Gebauer	Group Art Unit:	To be assigned
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Title:	Chromatography Column Distribution System		

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Introductory Comments

Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the prosecution of the captioned application, which is a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and claims priority to international application number PCT/EP2004/010599 filed September 22, 2004, which claims priority to application number 0322144.7 filed in Great Britain on September 23, 2003.